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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST BRIEFINGS FOR FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO

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1. DEPT. AGREES WITH YOU (REFTEL) THAT IT IS IN OUR INTEREST TO INFORM FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO IN SOME DETAIL OF STATE OF PLAY IN M.E. PRIOR HIS BECOMING UNSC PRESIDENT IN JANUARY. SITUATION NOW, HOWEVER, IS IN VERY FLUID STATE AND ANY IN-DEPTH BRIEFING WE MIGHT PROVIDE HIM TODAY LIKELY TO BE OVERTAKEN BY EVENTS AS SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY MAKE THE ROUNDS OF MIDDLE EASTERN CAPITALS THIS WEEK.

2. SUGGEST YOU CONTINUE KEEP FACIO INFORMED, DRAWING UPON DAILY SITREPS AND OTHER AVAILABLE ANALYSES, SUCH AS  
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CFR NO. 44 OF 10/31. IN ADDITION, DESCRIBE FOR FACIO THRUST OF CURRENT USG EFFORTS ALONG FOLLOWING LINES. USG HIS IN RECENT DAYS FOCUSED ON STABILIZING THE CEASE-FIRE, FOR WHICH ENCIRCLED EGYPTIAN THIRD ARMY HAS BEEN MAJOR PROBLEM. IT WAS DUE USG EFFORTS THAT ISRAELIS AGREED WITH EGYPTIANS ON WAYS TO ALLOW CONVOYS TO PASS THROUGH LINES AND TO IMPLEMENT CEASE-FIRE RESOLUTION. ANOTHER MAJOR CONCERN HAS BEEN POW EXCHANGE AND WE HAVE ACCORDED HIGH PRIORITY TO REMOVING THIS OBSTACLE TO GETTING NEGOTIATIONS GOING.

3. CONSULTATIONS IN UN HAVE ALSO COVERED PROBLEMS OF UNEF COMPOSITION, FINANCING, COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS, AND TRANSPORT. RE COMPOSITION, SYG HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY SC TO REQUEST CONTINGENTS FROM FINLAND, SWEDEN, AUSTRIA, IRELAND (ALREADY SENT) AS WELL AS FROM GHANA, INDONESIA, NEPAL, PANAMA AND PERU, WITH CANADA AND POLAND TO PROVIDE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT CONTINGENTS.

4. REMAINING MAJOR COMPOSITION ISSUES ARE FINDING ADDITIONAL AFRICAN CONTINGENTS WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE PARTIES AND POSSIBLE SOVIET DEMANDS FOR MORE EASTERN EUROPEAN CONTINGENTS. THE UNGA IS CURRENTLY DEBATING UNEF FINANCING. WHILE SC AGREED EXPENSES SHOULD BE APPORTIONED ON BASIS ARTICLE 17, PARA. 2, UN CHARTER, SOME MEMBERS EXPECT LARGER PERCENTAGE TO BE SHOULDERED BY SUPER-POWERS OR PERMANENT SC MEMBERS. US POSITION IS THAT UNEF SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN REGULAR BUDGET AND FINANCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 1974 SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS. SC HAS AUTHORIZED SYG TO COMMAND DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS OF UNEF WHILE ALL MATTERS WHICH MAY AFFECT NATURE OR CONTINUED EFFECTIVE FUNCTIONING OF FORCE WILL BE REFERRED TO SC. US HAS OFFERED TO ACCOMPLISH INITIAL AIRLIFT OF UNEF CONTINGENTS TO ME AND HAS SO FAR TRANSPORTED FINNISH AND IRISH TROOPS. EGYPT INITIALLY DENIED LANDING CLEARANCE TO US MILITARY AIRCRAFT CARRYING UNEF TROOPS BUT REVERSED ITS DECISION. USSR AND UK HAVE ALSO AIRLIFTED TROOPS. US HAS RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO UN REQUEST TO SUPPLY SOME LINES OF EQUIPMENT ON REIMBURSABLE BASIS ASSUMING OTHERS ALSO DO SO. CONSULTATIONS CONTINUE AT UN ON US AND SOVIET PARTICIPATION IN UNTSO. THERE  
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ARE CURRENTLY 8 AMERICAN UNTSO OBSERVERS.

5. FOREGOING ACTIVITIES, ESSENTIAL PRELIMINARIES TO DISCUSSIONS ON MODALITIES OF NEGOTIATIONS, NECESSARILY HAVE INVOLVED NUMEROUS CONTACTS WITH SOVIETS, ISRAELIS, EGYPTIANS, AND OTHERS. CONTACTS REVEAL THAT PRESENT PHASE IS VERY MUCH ONE OF IDEAS ABOUT HOW TO MOVE AHEAD;

PARTIES INVOLVED, INCLUDING USG, CLEARLY HAVE NOT YET ADOPTED POSITIONS ON RANGE OF ISSUES INVOLVED. WE WOULD HOPE THAT PRESENT EFFORTS TOWARD STABILIZING CEASE-FIRE AND ON BEHALF POW EXCHANGE WILL SUCCEED AND PROVIDE FIRMER FOOTING FOR NEXT STEPS TOWARD NEGOTIATIONS.

6. AS MIDDLE EAST SITUATION EVOLVES WE WILL PROVIDE FURTHER, MORE DETAILED INFORMATION FOR YOU TO USE IN BRIEFING FACIO. WE ALSO WILL BE PLEASED TO PROVIDE BRIEFING ON CURRENT STATE-OF-PLAY IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO HIS ASSUMING UNSC FUNCTIONS. MEANWHILE, SHOULD FACIO WISH MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON ANY PARTICULAR ASPECT

OF THIS SITUATION WE WILL TRY TO PROVIDE IT.

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